

WEATHER.

Partly cloudy; probably showers to-night and tomorrow; not quite so warm tomorrow; light variable winds. Temperature for twenty-four hours ending 2 p.m.—Highest, 82, at 2 p.m. today; lowest, 75, at 4 a.m. today. Full report on page 12.

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ONE CENT.

QUESTION OF STRIKE UP TO RAILROADS

No Definite Answer Given to Demands of 400,000 Employees Filed Today.

VOTE OF ALL THE UNIONS IN FAVOR OF WALKOUT

Head of Conductors Declares Willingness to Discuss Any Definite Proposition.

NEW YORK, August 8.—The 400,000 railway employees of the country—engineers, conductors, firemen and trainmen—today through the chiefs of their four brotherhoods placed before the managers of the railroads the question as to whether the roads were willing to grant their demands for an eight-hour day and time and a half pay for overtime or submit to a strike.

The result of the strike vote taken among the employees during the last month was presented to the national conference committee of railroad managers and showed that an overwhelming majority were in favor of authorizing their chiefs to call a strike.

The railroad managers gave no definite answer to the renewed demands of the men today, and it was agreed to adjourn until tomorrow morning to give the managers time for further discussion.

Time for Parleying Over.

A. B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railway Conductors, notified the managers that the time for parleying was over unless the roads were prepared to present a modified proposition.

"If you are ready to prepare a modified proposition," said Mr. Garretson, "we are ready to discuss it."

Elisha Lee, for the railroads, said: "I am not going to answer your questions now, in a definite form. I will take them up with the managers, together with the result of the strike ballot and all that appertains to it. Whether we have a proposition will develop by our own discussion."

How the Unions Voted.

Each union head presented his strike figures in different form. W. S. Stone for the engineers reported 95.17 per cent in favor of a strike in the south-eastern district, 96.35 per cent in the western and 94.61 per cent in the eastern.

W. S. Carter for the firemen and engineers reported that out of a total of 79,654 votes cast, including non-union men, 76,105, or 95.42 per cent, voted in favor of a strike. W. G. Lee for the conductors reported a total vote of 129,108, 124,532 favoring a strike, with 4,576 votes still to be heard from. A. B. Garretson of the conductors reported 94.61 per cent in the eastern and 93.94 in the southern district, with 94.61 per cent in the western.

Objection Is Raised.

The managers objected to the inclusion in the figures of the vote on roads not represented in the conference, but were informed by the union heads that the four brotherhoods were fighting for every railroad employee throughout the country as a matter of principle. They insisted on including these figures.

The managers also asked if the vote by individual railroads would be shown, but in reply to this the brotherhood chiefs said that if the roads were willing to make public the returns of the vote taken some time ago by the roads themselves among their employees, the unions would gladly furnish their figures.

Offered to Arbitrate.

In a series of conferences, held earlier in the summer, the railroad managers rejected most of the demands of the brotherhoods and proposed to arbitrate their differences in accordance with the Newlands act.

Since then the officials of the brotherhoods have taken a vote of the members of their organizations on the question whether a strike shall be declared if their demands again are rejected.

More than twenty railroad managers are members of the committee representing the railroads, while the men are represented by Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, W. G. Lee, head of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, A. B. Garretson, head of the Order of Railway Conductors, and Elisha Lee, head of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Engineers.

The possibility of a strike is regarded by the business interests of the country as extremely grave, and much has been said in the past few days to the effect that a strike would be one of its effects.

Mediation Offer Awaits

Railway Traffic Tie Up;

Administration Keeps Tab

The federal board of mediation and conciliation declined to comment today on the prospect of averting the threatened nationwide strike. It is known that they are hopeful that an agreement may be reached.

WOOLING OF WEST IS ON IN EARNEST

Campaign Managers of Both Big Parties on Job in Chicago.

DEMOCRATS EXPECTING GAINS IN THE SENATE

Farmers' Vote in North Dakota Eagerly Desired by Democrats and Republicans.

BY N. O. MESSENGER.

CHICAGO, August 8.—This town is seething with national politics this week as well as with atmospheric caloric. The national campaign for the western country opens with a rush, and partisan hope runs high in each camp. The national managers for the west of both parties registered simultaneously here, Chairman Willcox of the republican national committee and A. A. T. Hert of Kentucky, who is to manage western headquarters, signing just above Senator Walsh of Montana, who came to take charge of western headquarters for the democrats, and Senator Salisbury of Delaware, who with Senator Stone of Missouri and Senator Walsh will have charge of the special campaign for election of United States senators.

Expects Senate Gains.

Senator Salisbury is not at all dismayed by republican preparations for a great senatorial drive, and has no thought of the democrats losing the Senate.

"On the contrary," said Senator Salisbury, "I believe we are going to win in every election since the democrats took control of the government. I believe we stand for healthy democratic senators in the next Senate."

Senator Walsh immediately went into conference with Gov. Dunne of this state. National Committeeman Boeschstein and Assistant Secretary of Agriculture Freeman, the latter to have charge of the campaign, Gov. Dunne gave Senator Walsh the best comfort he could over the Illinois situation and—well, let it go at that.

National Chairman Willcox was met by Senator Salisbury, and the two men, who are both of the republican party, discussed the situation in the Indiana outlook, which is a little more comfortable with the statement that business men in his state are being attracted to the republican ticket. Willcox said that the republican outlook in the southern counties, and declared that the commission of 42,000 votes by republican in this fall and that Illinois will roll up a phenomenal republican vote of 42,000 votes in the fall.

McCormick Enthusiastic.

Medill McCormick, who is a candidate for the republican nomination for representative in Congress at large, came in from a stumping tour of the state, known as the "Farmers' Alliance." It is a thoroughly organized movement, having a membership of 42,000 voters in the state, and is causing the democrats to be very much interested in a curious situation in North Dakota. In that state there recently has been perfected an organization known as the "Farmers' Alliance." It is a thoroughly organized movement, having a membership of 42,000 voters in the state, and is causing the democrats to be very much interested in a curious situation in North Dakota.

Driven to Organization.

The farmers were driven to this by the treatment received at the hands of the legislature that repudiated the results of a former referendum demanding reform in laws regulating the storage and grading of grain. The farmers complained that they had been mistreated by the grain elevator combines, the chambers of commerce and state inspectors of grain, and that the influence of the elevators and the grain dealers in the movement was effective in nullifying the referendum.

They then proceeded to attempt to take over the state government until they could elect a legislature and governor upon whom they could depend. Money was raised and the work of organization carried along with perfect system until the election of the legislature.

Will Be Much Courted.

The alliance has not taken a stand on the national campaign, but it is reported that a market is being opened for the alliance. The democrats are making desperate attempts to capture the republican organization. However, the republicans are alive to the opportunity and the alliance will have opportunity to hear the most courted and sought-after group of voters in the country between now and election day.

Elated by the success of their organization in North Dakota, the promoters of the movement are now making plans to hold a series of conferences in Iowa, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa and Montana. The plan is to organize the farmers into a mass regarders of past party affiliations, and to swing the mass for or against political parties as the interests of the farmers require.

Chicago is preparing to give candidates a market. The alliance is expected to speak in the Coliseum, in which he was nominated for the presidency, and the public will have opportunity to hear him, restricted only by the capacity of the building.

Progressives and regulars who have not sat aside by side for years will join in the demonstration to be given him.

HANLY DECLARES "DRY" PRINCIPLES

For Preparedness, But "Prohibition" Best Step in That Direction.

FAVORS INTERVENTION TO PACIFY MEXICO

Notification Ceremonies Held at His Home in Indianapolis. Where Vice President Candidate Is Also Told.

INDIANAPOLIS, August 8.—

Representative prohibition leaders from all over the United States assembled in Indianapolis today for a double notification meeting. J. Frank Hanly was formally notified of his nomination for President on the prohibition ticket. Dr. Ira Landrith of Boston received a similar formal notification of his nomination for the vice presidency.

The ceremonies took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon on the lawn of Mr. Hanly's home, 2062 North Meridian street. Robert H. Patton, state chairman of Illinois, delivered the address which notified Mr. Hanly and Oliver W. Stewart of Indianapolis notified Dr. Landrith. Each candidate responded.

Big Rally Tonight.

Tonight a big rally will be held in the Masonic Temple and will be addressed by Mr. Hanly and Dr. Landrith. Ministers and officers of all the young people's societies in central Indiana have been invited.

The national committee and the campaign committee met during the day and discussed plans for the national campaign to be started immediately. A campaign manager and sub-committee was to be chosen before night.

In his address of notification Mr. Patton took the position that the liquor traffic is a national problem. Complete eradication rather than treatment to alleviate what he calls evils of the traffic was advocated. Mr. Patton said that the liquor traffic produces evil consequences, and only evil, and that its legalization for revenue is wrong in no longer a proper question. No one defends it, and even the trade itself is crying out for help to curb its evil tendencies.

Hanly Declares Principles.

Accepting the nomination, Mr. Hanly said, in part: "If power is given us we will end the traffic in alcohol—and it though it require the exercise of every atom of power vested in the government or inherent in the people's legislative enactments, administrative action, judicial decision and constitutional amendment, all shall be used for its eradication."

"To the support of this high enterprise we challenge the intellect, the heart and the conscience of the nation. If those who admit the rightness of the thing we mean to do, and who desire the consummation of the end we seek, will not stand with us we will elect the ticket we have named, and before the end of the year we will have a service unmatched since the days of Abraham Lincoln and the abolition of slavery."

Church and State.

"With your declaration for the absolute separation of church and state with the guarantee of full religious and civil liberty I am in complete accord. No religious organization—either the great church of which I am a member, or any other—should exercise domination over the political action of individuals or of groups of individuals."

"No disabilities should be imposed on no privileges conferred upon any individual on account of his religion. The state should not only have tolerance for every religion, but should protect and foster all."

Initiative, Referendum, Recall.

"There is in the platform one plank which I can neither approve nor acquiesce in, and which I cannot defend in the campaign; which, if elected, I would oppose, and which, if brought to me as a proposed law, I would veto. I refer to the following: 'We favor the initiative, referendum and recall.'"

"Wherever they have obtained they have wrought confusion and harm. Where the initiative and referendum have been applied to the amendment of constitutions they have made these constitutions more and more unworkable and volatile as they will do the same to the federal Constitution."

"My judgment nothing could be brought with greater peril to state and national prohibition of the traffic in intoxicating liquors than the application of the three principles to the state and national governments."

Civil Service.

"There is in your pronouncement in regard to the civil service no declaration which I do not accept and which I am not prepared to defend. The extension of the merit system to cover all postmasters, collectors of revenue, marshals and other public officials whose duties are purely administrative would remove many grave and flagrant abuses from the field of politics and insure a higher and more permanent condition of efficiency."

"The whole administrative machinery of the government should be reviewed by the end that departmental duplication of work and responsibility may be minimized and an adequate and efficient system of supervision and accounting installed. The suggestion in the platform that the budget system should be adopted and that the president should be given power to veto any item in the appropriation bill meets with my full approval. There should be."

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SOUTHWICK CASE IS TAKEN TO COURT

Date to Be Set Friday for Trial on "False Advertising" Charge.

The date of the trial of Henry G. Southwick, secretary and treasurer of the Southwick Shop, Incorporated, 14th street and New York avenue northwest, who was arrested yesterday on a charge of fraudulent advertising, is to be set Friday. Frank S. Smith is the attorney for Mr. Southwick. The defendant has deposited a bond of \$500 for his appearance in court.

In the meantime it is expected that a vigorous campaign to stop false advertising in the District of Columbia will be pushed by the vigilance advertising committee of the Retail Merchants' Association, which is particularly interested in this, the first case to be brought under the law which the association was instrumental in having adopted. No date for a meeting of this committee has been set as yet, however.

Work of obtaining evidence against business houses which are believed to be violating the law is to be continued. Evidence can be collected which will justify arrests, warrants will be sworn out and the cases taken into court.

Individuals Taking Part.

Cases for prosecution which may be considered within the next few days probably will be handled by individual citizens in Washington. To date the vigilance advertising committee of the Retail Merchants' Association, as a committee, has used moral suasion only, and whether this body will wish to go further in the future will probably be determined when the committee meets.

While the chief topic for consideration at present is the false advertising matter, the fact that the House yesterday passed the "fake auction" bill also has caused considerable interest. As much as certain auctions, considered by many to be "fakes," cannot be brought under the false advertising law.

Says Merchants Are Delighted.

"Washington merchants are delighted, I am sure, at the action of the House in passing the fake auction bill," said Secretary Charles J. Columbus of the Retail Merchants' Association today. "We have been carrying forward searching investigations in the matter of fake auctions and will proceed at once to lay the results before members of the Senate, with a view of securing quick action."

"The Retail Merchants' Association has pledged itself to unremitting labors in the interest of pure advertising and the elimination of fake auctions. The passage of the fake auctioning bill was a matter of great satisfaction to them, and I am sure that the merchants and the public generally will receive salutary results from the law. It is the result of long and painstaking labor on the part of a committee of the association. In the final conference with Representative Johnson Assistant Corporation Counsel Roger J. Whiteford aided the officers of the Retail Merchants' Association substantially, as did also Corporation Counsel Syme."

Advertising Clubs to Aid.

"We have received assurances from the Associated Advertising Clubs of the World, through Chairman Sider and Secretary Kenner of the national vigilance committee, that the Retail Merchants' Association would have the unqualified support of that organization in the prosecution of cases before our vigilance committee and under the law."

CHICAGO GREET'S HUGHES WITH "HELLO, CHARLIE!"

Throng at Station to Meet Candidate—Morning Conference Followed by Reception.

CHICAGO, August 8.—What is likely to prove one of the busiest days of his initial campaign tour confronted Charles Evans Hughes, republican nominee for President, upon his arrival here from Detroit today.

Mr. Hughes was greeted by a committee including representatives of both local factions of the republican party when his train pulled in from Detroit nearly half an hour late. A throng of people crowded the station and met Mr. Hughes with cries of "Hello, Charlie!"

Official Reception Party.

Those who formally extended Chicago's welcome were John C. Shaffer, Mayor Thompson, former Gov. Deneen, Fred Sterling, chairman of the state republican committee; Chairman Willcox of the national committee, Louis Swift and John G. Sheedy.

The activities which were in store for Mr. Hughes included a conference at 11 o'clock with William R. Wilcox, chairman of the republican national committee, and Alvin T. Hays, western campaign manager, and members of the national committee. A public reception in the rotunda of the Conway building, where national headquarters is located, was held between 12 o'clock noon and 1 o'clock, under the auspices of the Hamilton Club.

Afternoon Automobile Ride.

Plans for the afternoon included visits to the parks for Mr. and Mrs. Hughes, and automobile rides about town. They will dine at 5 o'clock at the Blackstone Hotel, after which the nominee goes to the Coliseum for his address of the evening.

The Coliseum is to be opened early. Admission is to be free. The speech, it is said, will be one of the most important Mr. Hughes will deliver on his present tour. He is to leave for St. Paul and coast to Prague, Bohemia, for eight days.

Three police captains, ten lieutenants, ten sergeants and 300 policemen have been detailed by Chief Healey to police the downtown district during the stay of the Hughes party.

GEN. DAVID M. GREGG DIES.

Last of Union Officers of His Rank Who Fought at Gettysburg.

READING, Pa., August 8.—Gen. David McMurtrei Gregg, former auditor general of this state and the last of the Union officers ranking as general who fought at Gettysburg, died here last night. He was a native of Hunt, this state, and was eighty-three years old. He was educated at West Point and saw service on the frontier before the civil war.

In 1874 Gen. Gregg was appointed consul to Prague, Bohemia. For eighteen years he was Pennsylvania department commander. Military Order of the Loyal Legion, and later served as commander-in-chief.

Will Guard Power Plant on Canadian Side at Niagara Falls.

NIAGARA FALLS, Ontario, August 8.—A force of men is at work today on barb wire entanglements designed to protect the power works in Queen Victoria Park from possible attack by agents of the powers at war with Great Britain.

The barrier will shut off a considerable part of the park and will interfere with tourist travel. It is said that the barb wire will be charged with electricity at night.

DAY IN CONGRESS.

Senate: Met at 10 a.m. Adopted conference report on army appropriation bill carrying \$267,597,000. Resumed debate on child labor bill. Finance committee majority continued consideration of revenue bill. House: Met at noon. Representative Harrison of Mississippi defended administration's course in Mexico.

BRITISH OVERTAKE FLEEING OTTOMANS

Defeat of Turks Near Suez Canal Ends Fear of Invasion of Egypt.

LONDON, August 8, 12:45 p.m.—British troops, pursuing the Turkish force defeated last week at Romani, have caught up with the Turkish rear guard six miles east of Katia, about thirty miles east of the Suez canal, says an official statement regarding the campaign in Egypt, issued today.

The statement follows: "The commander-in-chief in Egypt reports at 10:50 p.m. that his mounted troops are in contact with the Turkish rear guard in a position six miles east of Katia, which he intrenched some days ago at the beginning of his advance."

"The work of clearing the battlefield is proceeding, and a quantity of rifles and other war material has been brought in. Up to the time of this report 200 of the enemy's dead have been buried in the area over which the counter attack passed on August 4."

"A bomb attack by aeroplanes over Port Said and Suez inflicted little material damage and caused slight casualties."

Ends Fear of Invasion.

The British representative with the army at Romani sends the following, under date of August 5: "At sunset yesterday Turkish pretensions for the conquest of Egypt were irretrievably smashed. While a crescent moon faintly lighted the desert, we pursued the defeated Turkish troops vigorously."

"The brunt of the fight was borne by the Anzac mounted troops, who acquitted themselves magnificently. For more than a week they had little rest, keeping in touch with the enemy, pushing back patrols and reconnoitering. Their final attacks yesterday were irresistible."

"Whether the Turks will try to hold the trenches dug by them remains to be seen, but whatever happens, Egypt is safer from invasion than at any time during the war. No finer vindication of Gen. Murray's policy of making the Turks open far from the canal could be given than that traffic on the waterway has not stopped for a single minute."

"The Turks fought hard, but the prisoners were delighted to be in British hands, receiving good food and abundant water. At the present writing the enemy is scattered far and wide in the desert, not in orderly column, but in small parties, and many of these, doubtless, will be taken prisoner. The victory is absolute."

Constantinople Lacks News.

CONSTANTINOPLE, August 7, via London, August 8.—An official statement issued today says: "No news has been received from the Egyptian front."

BARB WIRE TO BE CHARGED.

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The entanglement is built on the lines of those used to protect trenches on the battle front.

A large number of munition plants depend on the power plants here for motive power.

RUSSIANS ADVANCE ON 15-MILE FRONT

Berlin Admits Retirement of Austro-Germans South of Dniester.

NEAR LEMBERG RAILWAY TO THE SOUTH OF BRODY

Austrian Forces Reported Already in Retreat From in Front of Tarnopol.

PETROGRAD, August 8, via

London, 4:17 p.m.—South of the Dniester river in the direction of Tyszenca the Russians have driven the Austro-German forces back along the whole line for a breadth of fifteen miles, it was officially announced by the Russian war department today.

The announcement adds that the Russians have captured the town of Tlumach as well as the region to the east of the Dniester river and the ridge of heights there.

Russian Cavalry in Pursuit.

Russian cavalry, it is stated, is now pursuing the Austro-Germans south-west of the Kolomea and Stanislaw railway in Galicia.

The total number of prisoners taken by the Russians in the battles on the Sereth river August 5 and August 6, the official statement adds, was 156 officers and 8,415 men. The Russians in this region are advancing.

Berlin Admits Withdrawal.

BERLIN, August 8, via London, 4:15 p.m.—Strong Russian forces yesterday advanced against the Austro-German positions on the Tlumach-Ottynia line, to the south of the Dniester river, in Galicia, it is announced by the German army headquarters staff today, and the forces of the central powers withdrew to previously prepared positions.

Closing In on Railway.

LONDON, August 8.—A Reuter dispatch from Petrograd says: "Their success to the south of Brody brings the Russians within fourteen miles of the Tarnopol-Lemberg railway. It is reported that the Austrian forces at Tarnopol already are retiring in the direction of Zlochoff."

NO MORE TRACE OF TWO SUBMARINES OFF COAST

Vessels Said to Have Been Sighted Near Machias, Maine, Have Not Reached Port.

PORTLAND, Me., August 8.—No further

trace had been reported early today of two vessels, believed by the coast guard look out who sighted them to be submarines, which appeared off the Maine coast near Machias yesterday. Cross Island, where the lookout was stationed, is at the mouth of the Bay of Fundy and close to British territorial waters off the provinces of New Brunswick and Nova Scotia.

The possibility that one of the vessels might have been the German merchant submarine Bremen, long ago reported to have left a German port for the United States, aroused much interest and resulted in a close watch along the coast of Maine and Massachusetts throughout yesterday and last night.

The Cross Island lookout estimated the speed of the boats at ten or twelve knots. At any rate, keeping close to the coast, they would have had time to reach Boston, following a course which would require eight or ten hours longer.

SAYS PRESIDENT FORCES CONGRESSMEN TO OBEY

Senator Cummins Says Executive's Assumption of Legislative Functions Menaces Constitution.

Senator Cummins today charged President Wilson with forcing democracy in the House and Senate to adopt legislation against their judgment, and told opponents of the child labor bill who contend it is unconstitutional, that the presidential assumption of legislative functions was a greater menace to the Constitution than the passage of any measure.

"There had not been a single important measure passed since 1913 in which democratic congressmen have not felt the heavy hand of the executive," said the senator.

"Those senators who see an invasion of state rights and a menace in the passage of the present child labor bill, gravely violating of the Constitution exhibited every day during this session."

Senator Robinson asked Senator Cummins to be more specific in his complaints. The senator declared he had taken up the subject only because Senator Hardwick had previously asserted that President Wilson had violated his conception of the Constitution in urging this legislation.

Germans Attack at Verdun.

"On the right bank of the Meuse (Verdun front) the bombardment was resumed during the night with extreme violence in the Thiaumont-Fléury front. At about 5 o'clock this morning the Germans delivered a series of powerful attacks with heavy forces against our positions from the village of Fléury to a point north of Thiaumont work, accompanied by a curtain of fire."

"The attacks were checked along the Fléury road and in the village by the fire of our machine guns, which caused losses to the enemy. The Germans succeeded in gaining a footing in Thiaumont work after a desperate encounter, which is still continuing at this hour."

"In the Vosges detachments of the enemy which attempted to approach our trenches near Senones were dispersed easily by our fire."

Fleets of British Airships

Bomb All Important Points

Back of the German Lines

WITH THE BRITISH ARMIES IN FRANCE, August 7, via London, August 8.—The aviators felt the concussion 9,000 feet in the air when a brigade of British aeroplanes, headed by Henri Létard (commander of Arras) with a shower of 112-pound bombs.</